

FISCAL YEAR 2007
July 2006 – June 2007
CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Overview

During Fiscal year 2007, the Central Command experienced a 5.5% reduction in the number of crashes investigated, 84 fewer crashes. There were declines in all three severity categories. The Command had decreases in the total number of crashes in 8 of the 12 months during the fiscal year. There was a 9.5% drop in the number of fatal crashes and a 28% decline in the number of persons killed. However, the percentage of persons killed not wearing seat belts, 65.1%, is up from the 58.9% in FY 06.

The number of impaired drivers involved in crashes was 8 more during FY 07 than in FY 06. The average BAC for these drivers, .165, was up slightly in FY 07 from the .162 average in FY 06.

There were 2 additional crashes involving commercial vehicles in FY 07 as compared to FY 06. Of the 278 crashes, 168 were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver, 60.4%. This is down from the 65% at fault in FY 06. The split between the Interstate and secondary highways remained consistent for the third year with approximately 45% occurring on the Interstate and 55% on secondary roadways.

The overall enforcement activity for the Command jumped by 20.2%. This is after a 34% increase from FY 05 to FY 06. There were increases in all categories with the exception of occupant restraint violations where there were 354 fewer violations. This coupled with the increase in the percentage of persons killed not wearing seat belts will be addressed throughout the Command.

The number of persons arrested for driving impaired prior to a crash increased by over 23%. The average BAC for those drivers involved in a crash declined from .167 in FY 06 to .156 in FY 07.

Commercial personnel conducted 5.5% fewer inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. This led to declines in the number of violations discovered, safety citations issued and drivers and vehicles placed "out of service." Traffic operations personnel conducted 6297 inspections for a 41.2% increase. This program continues to be very effective.

Support services personnel also experienced increases during the fiscal year with the exception of the evidence vaults which received 14.6% fewer new cases.

We would like to thank the personnel on the Central Command for their hard work and diligence during the past fiscal year in making the highways safer for the traveling motorist.



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CENTRAL COMMAND

CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	Fiscal year 07	Fiscal Year 06	% Change
Total Crashes	1443	1527	-5.5%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1011	1039	-2.7%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	394	446	-11.7%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	38	42	-9.5%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	63	55	14.5%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	44	61	-27.9%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	11	15	-26.7%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	17	18	-5.6%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	15	15	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	2	8	-75.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	1	5	-80.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	278	276	0.7%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	210	208	1.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	63	60	5.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	5	8	-37.5%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes

FY 07	FY 06
2.6%	2.75%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes

FY 07	FY 06
4.4%	3.6%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed

FY 07	FY 06
65.1%	58.9%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes

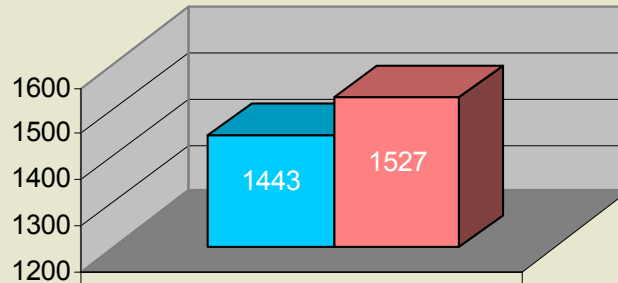
FY 07	FY 06
19.3%	18.1%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- ▶ Total traffic crashes in the Command declined by 5.5% during FY 07. Decreases were experienced in all three severity categories; Property crashes decreased by 2.7%, Injury crashes decreased by 11.7% and fatal crashes decreased by 9.5%. The total number of crashes dropped in 8 of the 12 months during FY 07.
- ▶ There were 38 fatal crashes during FY 07 killing 44 persons. Of the 44 persons killed, 28 drivers and passengers or 65% were not wearing seat belts. The 65.1% is up from the 58.9% in FY 06.
- ▶ Crashes involving impaired drivers increased by 8 as compared to FY 06. The average BAC for impaired drivers involved in crashes was .165. This is slightly higher than the .162 BAC experienced in FY 06.
- ▶ The number of commercial vehicles involved in crashes increased by 2 during FY 07. Of the 278 crashes, 168 or 60.4% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. This is down from the 65% of the commercial drivers at fault during FY 06. There were 129 crashes or 46.4% occurring in Interstate 80 with 1/3 of the total crashes occurring in the southern portion of the Command. The 55.6% of the total crashes occurring on secondary roadways has been consistent with the percentage the two prior fiscal years.

FY 07 / FY 06 CRASH COMPARISON



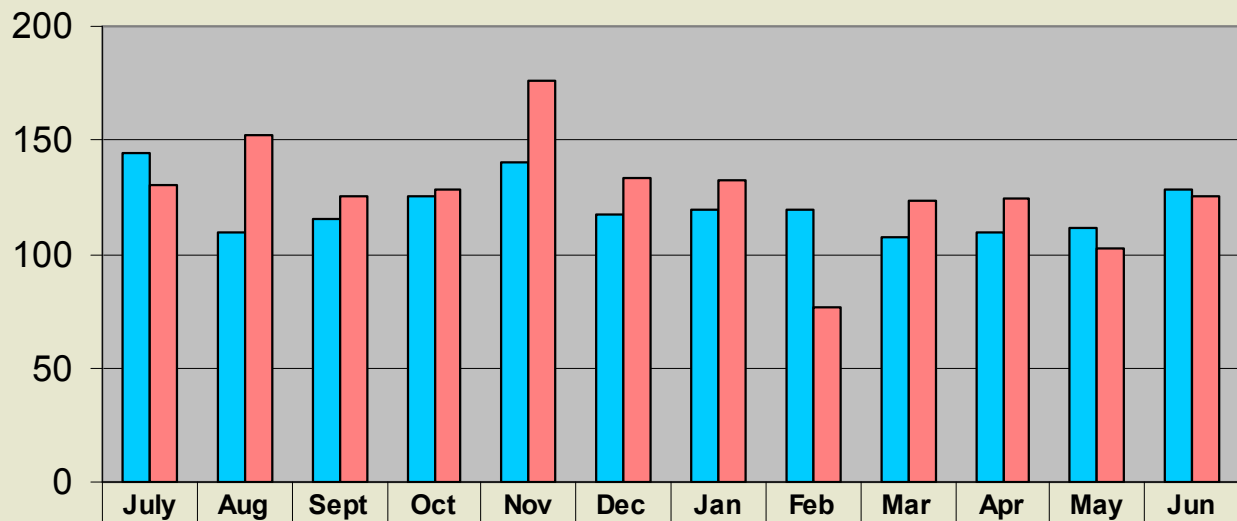
Total Crashes

FY 07	1443
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FY 06	1527
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FY 07 / 06 Total Crashes by Month Comparison



FY 07	144	109	115	125	140	117	119	119	107	109	111	128
FY 06	130	152	125	128	176	133	132	77	123	124	102	125

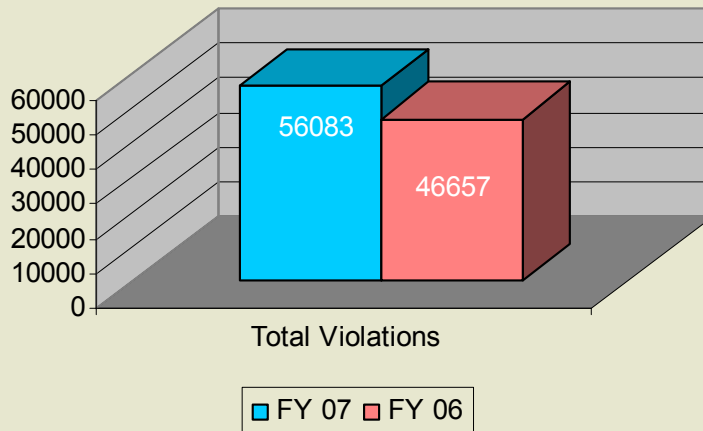
FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	Fiscal year 07	Fiscal Year 06	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	63	55	14.5%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	363	294	23.5%
Other Arrests	1980	1902	4.1%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	1012	968	4.5%
Speed violations	28363	26220	8.2%
Hazardous moving violations	3140	3129	0.4%
Occupant restraint violations *	3865	4219	-8.4%
Total violations [above violations included]	56083	46657	20.2%
Commercial Enforcement			
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	357	593	-39.8%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	229	285	-19.6%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	6550	6931	-5.5%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	10	5	100.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	1228	1682	-27.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	8929	11403	-21.7%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	412	548	-24.8%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	265	365	-27.4%
Total school buses inspected	213	462	-53.9%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	45	105	-57.1%
Total trucks weighed	7283	7970	-8.6%
Total overweight citations	102	221	-53.8%
Total dyed fuel inspections	6197	6265	-1.1%
Total dyed fuel citations	0	2	-200.0%

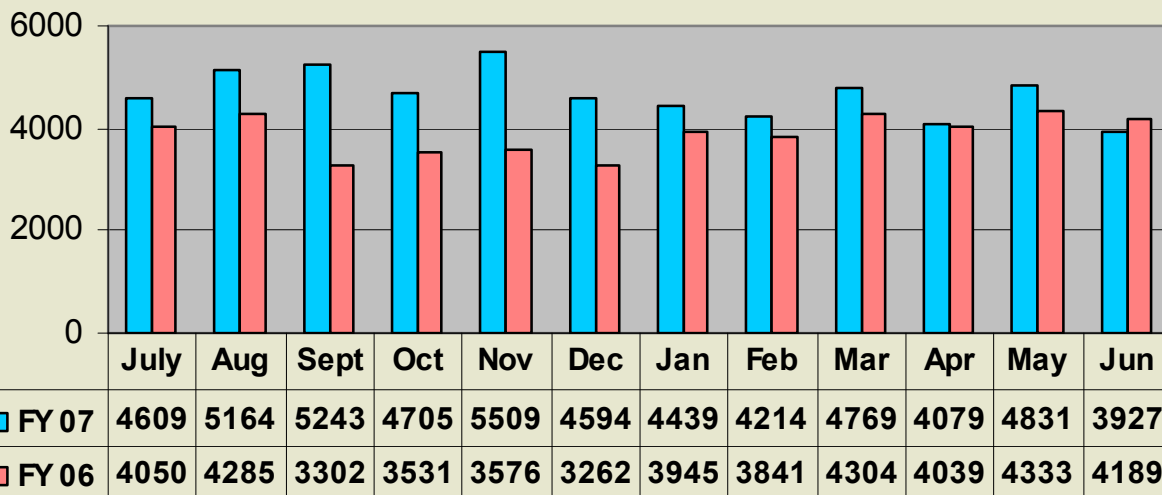
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- Total enforcement activity increased by over 20% in FY 07 as compared to FY 06. This is exceptional because in FY 06 there was a 34% increase in enforcement activity over FY 05. The increase in FY 07 is even more special because of an average vacancy rate during the year of 16.5%. The vacancy rate has dropped to 10.3% at the end of the fiscal year due to an academy graduating in June. Enforcement activity increased in every month during FY 07 except in June.
- There were increases experienced in the total number of persons arrested as well as total arrest charges. There was over an 8% increase in the number of speeding violations and a 0.4% increase in the number of hazardous moving violations. Occupant restraint violations declined by 8.4% or 354 fewer violations. This area will be addressed as the percentage of persons killed without utilizing seat belts increased during FY 07.
- The number of impaired drivers arrested jumped by 23.5%. Despite the increased efforts in apprehension of the impaired driver, the number involved in a crashes increased by 8. The average BAC for drivers arrested prior to a crash was .156. This is lower than the .167 BAC average during FY 06.

FY 07 / 06 TOTAL VIOLATION COMPARISON



FY 07 / 06 Total Violations by Month Comparison



- Commercial operations personnel conducted 5.5% fewer inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. This led to corresponding declines in the number of violations discovered, safety citations issued, and drivers and vehicles placed “out of service.”
- The number of school buses inspected appears to have dropped substantially. This was due to the change of the schedule to inspect buses from a fiscal year to a calendar year. The percentage of buses having “out of service” violations was 21.1%. This is down from the 22.7% during FY 06.
- The number of vehicles weighed declined by 8.6% with only 102 overweight citations being issued. Of the 7283 vehicles weighed, 1251 or 17.2% were weighed on secondary roadways during 225 hours of directed enforcement.

- › Sixty-eight fewer dyed fuel inspections were conducted in FY 07 than in FY 06. Of the 6197 dyed fuel inspections, 1661 or 26.8% were conducted on secondary roadways during 1742 hours of directed enforcement.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
Fiscal year 07	6297	2596	7704	574	107	5321	3
Fiscal Year 06	4461	2168	7890	523	N/A	3569	2
% Change	41.2%	19.7%	-2.4%	9.8%		49.1%	50.0%

- › Traffic operations personnel conducted over 41% more Level 2 and 3 inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers. During the 6297 inspections there were 7704 violations discovered leading to 2596 safety citations being issued. During the inspections, 574 drivers were placed "out of service." Also during FY 07 there were 107 vehicles placed "out of service." The number of vehicles placed "out of service" was not tracked in FY 06 as most personnel were not trained in Level 2 inspections until FY 07.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

- › During FY 07, the Central command aircraft flew 345.5 hours. During the year 65 enforcement missions were flown resulting in 941 violations. There were also 9 prisoner transports, 10 personnel transports and 22 property transports conducted during the fiscal year.
- › The aircraft was also used in static displays at events and for recruitment.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Fiscal year 07	Fiscal Year 06	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER			
Radio Transmissions	982,353	1,021,307	-3.8%
CAD incidents	135,362	134,670	0.5%
Telephone Calls	136,952	120,719	13.4%
Call Box Incidents	194	305	-36.4%
FRONT OFFICE			
Accident Reports Processed	1237	1297	-4.6%
Arrest Reports Processed	1005	912	10.2%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	236	193	22.3%
COURT / WARRANT			
Warrants Received	3971	3745	6.0%
Warrants Entered	3900	3677	6.1%
Warrants Cleared	5108	3091	65.3%
Warrants Validated	27,099	26583	1.9%
Extradition / Transports	90	89	1.1%
EVIDENCE			
New Cases Submitted	339	397	-14.6%
New Items Submitted	1009	1257	-19.7%
Items Disposed	1368	1044	31.0%

Call boxes inoperative
most of FY07

CONTRACT SERVICES	Number	Hours	\$\$\$\$
Contracts FY07	122	5173	343,830
Contracts FY06	139	4795	229,239

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- Despite the increase in enforcement throughout the Command the Communications Center had a decline in radio traffic of 3.8%. The number of CAD incidents generated increased by approximately 700. Telephone calls increased by 13.4%. The call boxes at the Beowawe rest area have been inoperative for the majority of FY 07.
- The Front Office processed 3.2% more accident, arrest and officer reports in FY 07 than in FY 06.
- The Court / Warrant Section had increases of 6% in the number of warrants received and warrants entered into the appropriate systems. The number of warrants cleared increased by over 65%. Much of this is due to the removal of extremely old warrants from a few courts.
- The evidence vaults received 14.6% fewer cases in FY 07 than in FY 06. There was also almost a 20% decline in the number of new items submitted with these cases. The vaults were able to dispose of 31% more items, making room for the new items being submitted.

- ▶ The Command performed 17 fewer contracts in FY 07, however, there was an increase in the number of hours associated with these contracts of almost 8%. There was a 50% increase in the revenue for the contracts as compared to FY 06.

At the conclusion of Fiscal Year 2007, the Division is restructuring the commands. The Central Command lost the Alamo, Tonopah and Hawthorne Districts. We wish the personnel assigned to those Districts the best with their new assignments.



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